Co-operative Department.

368. *MR. N. D. PARAMESWARAN NAMBOODIRI (*The Travancore Jenmies-North*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have any scheme to reorganise the Co-operative Department;

(*b*) whether any special officer has been deputed for the purpose; and

(*c*) if the answer to (*b*) is in the affirmative whether the said officer has formulated any scheme?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP: (*a*) No.

(*b*) & (*c*). The questions do not arise in view of answer to part (a).

Scheme for the expansion of the activities of the Public Health Department.

369. *MR. P. O. THOMAS: Will the Government be pleased to state;

(*a*) when the new scheme for the expansion of the activities of the Public Health Department will be put in practice;

(*b*) whether they will begin it in all taluks simultaneously; and

(*c*) whether every pakuthi will be chosen as a unit for the same?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI (*Director of Public Health*): (*a*) The ideal aimed at under the Post War Scheme is that every pakuthi or population of 10000 should have a Sanitary Assistant. The scheme is under the consideration of Government.

(*b*) & (*c*). In view of the answer to item (a), these do not arise.

MR. P. O. THOMAS: Part (a) of my question is "when the new scheme for the expansion of the activities of the Public Health Department will be put in practice" and the answer given is "the ideal aimed at under the post-war scheme is that every pakuthi or population of 10000 should have a sanitary assistant. The scheme is under the consideration of the Government. May I know from the member whether the answer is a proper answer to the question?

MR. K. G. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI: Sir, that cannot arise as a supplementary question.

MR. P. O. THOMAS: I asked whether the Government intends to put....

PRESIDENT: Such a question cannot be asked whether Government intends to do such and such a thing.

MR. P. O. THOMAS: When I ask when the Government intends to put the scheme into action the answer is "the ideal of the Government is such and such". May I know from the member.....

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PRESIDENT: I think there has been some mistake about it. Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai says that he has got a scheme that there should be a sanitary assistant for every pakuthi or population of 10000, and that such a scheme is under consideration of Government.

MR. P. O. THOMAS: May I know when the Government intends to start it?

PRESIDENT: That is exactly what cannot be asked, as it relates to future action.

Malaria in Pathanamthitta taluk and Peermade.

370. *MR. K. A. MATHEW: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware of the prevalence of malaria in Konni and other areas in Pathanamthitta taluk and also in Peermade; and

(*b*) what measures they have taken to combat the spread of this epidemic?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) A *copy of the press note dated 7-7-45 issued by Government detailing the measures taken in the matter is laid on the table.

Malaria relief.

371. *MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state whether Pipready-to-spray insecticide is being used now in connection with malaria relief?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: Yes.

Attack of malaria and typhoid in Minachil.

372 *MR. P. S. GOPALA PILLAI (*Minachil* cum *Thodupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of people who were attacked by malaria and typhoid during this year 1120 in the taluk of Minachil and how many died; and

(*b*) what are the measures adopted to prevent the epidemics?

RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI:

(*a*)

Malaria	Attacks	...	6,525
	Deaths	...	11
Typhoid	Attacks	...	36
	Deaths	...	4

(*b*) For the control of malaria, distribution of Quinine is carried on by the field staff of the Public Health Department by house to house visit. 5 treatment centres have been started in the affected localities for the purpose.

For the control of typhoid, anti-typhoid inoculations are carried out. 545 inoculations were done by the field staff so far during this year.

Outbreak of malaria.

373 *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware of the outbreak of a serious type of malaria in the eastern pakuthies of Tiruvalla taluk;

* *Vide* Appendix II—Page 910.

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